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(b) if not, when the Government will come forward with a motion that that Bill be taken into consideration?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) Yes, Sir; the Government have decided to drop the Bill.

" (b) Does not arise."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" ஸார், இந்த மசோதாவைக் கை விடவேண்டிய காரணம் என்ன என்பதை அறிய விரும்புகிறேன்."

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, the Special Marriages Bill, which has since been passed into law by the Union Parliament—Central Act XLIII of 1954—provides for the registration of marriages including the non-conforming form of marriages. Therefore, the Government did not think it necessary to proceed with this Bill."

SRI S. SWAYAMPRAKASAM :—" Sir, the Central Act, I think, will relate to future marriages. The intention of this Government when they brought in that Bill was to validate marriages done before and to rectify the defects in them. Does the Central Act rectify the defects in earlier marriages? Will Government consider this aspect of the matter? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I am sorry I have not looked into that Act. According to the information which I have here, it is seen that that Act provides for the registration of past marriages also."

11-40 a.m. *Conversion of the Alanallur Producers'-cum-Consumers' Co-operative Society into a Co-operative Bank.*

* 352 *Q.*—SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether sanction was accorded to the Alanallur Producers'-*cum*-Consumers' Co-operative Society in South Malabar to convert itself into a Co-operative Bank;

(b) whether the said bank has made any representation regarding the refusal of a loan application by the Malabar District Bank later on; and

(c) if so, the orders passed thereon?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (a) & (b) Yes, Sir.

" (c) The request of the Bank was not complied with."

DR. K. B. MENON :—" Will the Government accept the conversion of Producers'-*cum*-Consumers' Co-operative Societies into banks as a matter of policy? "

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THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The Government have given such exemption to enable them to be registered as banks with limited liability subject to the condition that they raise funds only from among their members and not outsiders."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" If outsiders including the District Bank are debarred from giving loans to this Bank, will not such a provision defeat the very purpose for which the Bank is formed? Will the Government, therefore, reconsider the position?"

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" I shall look into the matter."

SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMED SHAFEE :—" May I know the reason for the Government not complying with the request of the Bank?"

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" The exemption was given only on condition that the Bank should borrow from its members."

SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI :—" Is it not a fact that the Bank has already been granted a loan of Rs. 50,000 by the District Bank?"

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" It is by mistake that the Malabar District Co-operative Bank gave credit facilities to this Bank. The mistake was pointed out to the District Bank and it refused further credit."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" If the District Co-operative Bank does not lend any money to this Urban Bank, may I know what is the purpose behind the Government in interfering with the working of the institution?"

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" There has been no interference, Sir."

Appointment of Executive Officer for the Perintalmanna Panchayat Board.

* 353 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Regional Inspector of Local Boards, Coimbatore, has reported to the Government that the Perintalmanna Panchayat Board, South Malabar, has no sufficient income for appointing an Executive Officer for the Panchayat Board, Perintalmanna; and

(*b*) if so, what action the Government have taken on the report?

THE HON. SRI S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" (a) No, Sir.

" (*b*) Does not arise."